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For : METHODS FOR USING RESONANCE ENERGY TRANSFER-BASED ASSAY OF HIV-1 ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN-MEDIATED MEMBRANE FUSION, AND KITS FOR PRACTICING SAME

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Sir:

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND  
SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the title:

On page 1, lines 4-9, please delete the current title "FLUORESCENCE RESONANCE ENERGY TRANSFER SCREENING ASSAY FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF HIV-1 ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN-MEDICATED CELL" and insert instead the following new title:

--METHODS FOR USING RESONANCE ENERGY TRANSFER-BASED ASSAY OF HIV-1 ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN-MEDIATED MEMBRANE FUSION, AND KITS FOR PRACTICING SAME--.

Remarks

Claims 7-14 are pending in the subject application. Applicants have hereinabove amended the title of the invention to read as follows: Methods For Using Resonance Energy Transfer-Based Assay of HIV-1 Envelope Glycoprotein-Mediated Membrane Fusion, and Kits For Practicing Same. This amendment introduces no issue of new matter and entry of this amendment respectfully requested. Claims 7-14 will be pending upon entry of this amendment.

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